

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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November 03, 2015

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

**ADOPTED** 

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ADOPT UPDATED RESOLUTION FOR CONTRIBUTION OF
HIGHWAYS-THROUGH-CITIES FUNDING AND
AWARD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
GATEWAY CITIES ADVANCED TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT
SYSTEMS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
IN THE CITIES OF COMMERCE, DOWNEY, HUNTINGTON PARK, LA MIRADA, MONTEBELLO,
NORWALK, PICO RIVERA, SANTA FE SPRINGS, AND
SOUTH GATE AND IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF
FLORENCE, SOUTH WHITTIER, AND WALNUT PARK
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 2, AND 4)
(4 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

This action is to adopt updated Resolution No. 3959 which was originally adopted by the Board on July 21, 2015, to increase the Highways-Through-Cities financial assistance to the Cities of Commerce, Downey, Huntington Park, La Mirada, Montebello, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, and South Gate; award a public works construction contract to Select Electric, Inc., for Gateway Cities Advanced Transportation Management Systems Improvement Project; and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute a construction contract for work in the Cities of Commerce, Downey, Huntington Park, La Mirada, Montebello, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, and South Gate and in the unincorporated communities of Florence, South Whittier, and Walnut Park.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Adopt updated Resolution No. 3959 that increases the County of Los Angeles aid in the form of Highways-Through-Cities funds provided to the Cities of Commerce, Downey, Huntington Park, La

Mirada, Montebello, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, and South Gate from \$394,000 to \$450,000 to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Proposition C local sales tax.

- 2. Award and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute a construction contract and establish the effective date following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bonds and insurance certificate filed by the contractor for Project ID No. TSM0010275 Gateway Cities Advanced Transportation Management Systems Improvement Project, for installation of performance measurement systems at 68 intersections, in the Cities of Commerce, Downey, Huntington Park, La Mirada, Montebello, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, and South Gate and in the unincorporated communities of Florence, South Whittier, and Walnut Park, to Select Electric, Inc., in the amount of \$834,555.
- 3. Delegate to the Director of Public Works or her designee the following authority in connection with this contract: (1) approve and execute change orders within the same monetary limits delegated to the Director of Public Works under Section 2.18.050 of the Los Angeles County Code relative to the construction of County buildings; (2) accept the project upon its final completion; and (3) release retention money withheld consistent with the requirements of Public Contract Code Sections 9107 and 9203.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to increase the County of Los Angeles' financial assistance to the Cities of Commerce, Downey, Huntington Park, La Mirada, Montebello, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, and South Gate and in the unincorporated communities of Florence, South Whittier, and Walnut Park; to obtain approval of the project from the Board to award this construction contract; and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute the contract; and establish the effective contract date following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bonds and insurance certificate filed by the contractor for this project.

On July 21, 2015, Agenda Item 35, the Board adopted Resolution No. 3959 approving County contribution of Highways-Through-Cities (HTC) funds in the amount of \$394,000 to the Cities of Commerce, Downey, Huntington Park, La Mirada, Montebello, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, and South Gate for their jurisdictional share of the project; adopted the plans and specifications; called for bids received on August 25, 2015; and instructed the Acting Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise the project.

The estimated total cost of the project has increased from \$961,000 to \$1,306,000 due to the lowest bidder being 38 percent above the construction estimate. The increase in construction cost over the engineer's estimate is due to the fact that the technology utilized in this project is relatively new, which makes it more difficult to accurately estimate construction costs.

Board adoption of the enclosed updated resolution increases the County contribution of HTC funds from \$394,000 to \$450,000 to finance the Cities' jurisdictional shares of the project cost.

The enclosure includes the project description, the call for bids and bid opening date, a tabulation of bids, and financial information. The certified record of receipt of bids and the original bid proposal are also enclosed for this project.

## **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). Awarding this contract will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected Cities and communities.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The total project cost is estimated to be \$1,306,000. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the preparation of plans and specifications, consultant services, materials testing, construction engineering, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, and other County services.

The project cost will be financed with \$1,019,000 in Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the Gateway Cities Traffic Signal Forum, and \$287,000 in Proposition C Local Return funds. The Board has established a \$2,500,000 Top-of-Pot annual allocation from the County's Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget for the Countywide Traffic Congestion Management Program. The \$287,000 will be funded from this allocation. See the enclosed table for the share of total project cost among the jurisdictions involved and their corresponding HTC funding.

Financing for the construction of this project is included in the Proposition C Local Return Fund Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The enclosed updated resolution and contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel. The recommended contract was solicited on an open-competitive basis and is in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County requirements. The contractor is in compliance with the Chief Executive Officer's and the Board's requirements.

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 60 working days. It is anticipated the work will start March 2016 and be completed in July 2016.

The award of this contract will be in full compliance with Federal, State, and County regulations. This contract contains terms and conditions supporting the Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County's Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206;

Local Business Enterprise Preference Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.204; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, which is defined as the firm that: (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation including, but not limited to, licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by the contractor was considered before making this recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

On July 21, 2015, Agenda Item 35, the Board found this project to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

#### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

This contract was solicited on an open-competitive basis in accordance with the provisions of the State Public Contract Code.

The State Labor Code requires contractors to pay prevailing wage rates to all persons employed on public works construction contracts. These rates are determined by the Department of Industrial Relations and include contributions for fringe benefits such as vacations, pension funds, training, and health plans for each employee.

To further increase contractor awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, this was listed on both the County's "Doing Business with Us" and Public Works' "Contract Opportunities" websites for upcoming bids.

Public Works will review and approve the Faithful Performance and payment bonds filed by the contractor.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

This construction contract will result in improved public works infrastructure in the Cities and communities where the work is scheduled.

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# **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter and one original signed resolution to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

**GAIL FARBER** 

Director

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**Enclosures** 

c: Chief Executive Office (Rochelle Goff)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide Contract Compliance)

UPDATED RESOLUTION NO. 3959 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, TO INCREASE COUNTY AID TO THE CITIES OF COMMERCE, DOWNEY, HUNTINGTON PARK, LA MIRADA, MONTEBELLO, NORWALK, PICO RIVERA, SANTA FE SPRINGS, AND SOUTH GATE FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS

WHEREAS, the CITIES OF COMMERCE, DOWNEY, HUNTINGTON PARK, LA MIRADA, MONTEBELLO, NORWALK, PICO RIVERA, SANTA FE SPRINGS, and SOUTH GATE, hereinafter referred to as CITIES, and the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, hereinafter referred to as COUNTY, desire to install performance measurement systems at 68 intersections on Florence Avenue from Hooper Avenue to State Street, Firestone Boulevard from Hooper Avenue to Imperial Highway, Imperial Highway from Firestone Boulevard to 1st Avenue, Telegraph Road from Atlantic Boulevard to Imperial Highway, Mulberry Road at Colima Road, La Mirada Boulevard at Mulberry Road, and Valley View Avenue at Leffingwell Road, which work is hereinafter referred to as PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY proposes to construct PROJECT at no cost to CITIES; and

WHEREAS, portions of PROJECT are located and will be utilized within the jurisdictional limits of CITIES; and

WHEREAS, PROJECT is of general interest to CITIES and COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2015, Agenda Item 35, your Board adopted Resolution No. 3959 approving COUNTY contribution of funds in the amount of Three Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$394,000.00) to CITIES, hereinafter referred to as ORIGINAL RESOLUTION), for their jurisdictional share of the cost of PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total cost of PROJECT has increased from Nine Hundred Sixty-One Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$961,000.00) to One Million Three Hundred Six Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,306,000.00) due to the lowest bidder being 38 percent above the construction estimate; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY desires to increase the previously approved COUNTY aid to CITIES to cover the increase in the cost of PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) Call For Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the Gateway Cities Traffic Signal Forum and COUNTY'S Proposition C Local Return match funds to cover this increase in the cost of PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, the increase in the cost of PROJECT in the amount of Three Hundred Forty-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$345,000.00) will be financed with Two Hundred Seventy-One Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$271,000.00) in Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the Gateway Cities Traffic Signal Forum, and Seventy-Four Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$74,000.00) in Proposition C Local Return match funds; and

WHEREAS, on an annual basis, a Two Million Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) top-of-pot (TOP) allocation from the Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget has been established for COUNTY'S Traffic Congestion Management Program; and

WHEREAS, the Seventy-Four Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$74,000.00) will be funded from this TOP allocation; and

WHEREAS, PROJECT is consistent with the scope of work for traffic improvements within CITIES pursuant to Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Numbers P0004221, P0006295, and P0008127 between COUNTY and LACMTA; and

WHEREAS, such a proposal is authorized and provided for by the provisions of Sections 1680-1683 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved as follows:

SECTION 1. The PROJECT is of general COUNTY interest and County aid shall be extended therefor.

SECTION 2. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, COUNTY consents, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 1680-1683 of the California Streets and Highways Code, to increase aid to CITIES from the amount of Three Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$394,000.00) approved in the ORIGINAL RESOLUTION to the amount of Four Hundred Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$450,000.00) for the PROJECT from the Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds and Proposition C Local Return funds, to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Proposition C local sales tax.

SECTION 3. The financial obligations of the COUNTY are expressly conditioned upon obtaining reimbursement from LACMTA pursuant to MOU Number P0004221, P0006295, and P0008127 between COUNTY and LACMTA.

SECTION 4. If any provision of this Updated Resolution is held or declared to be invalid, the Updated Resolution shall be void and the consent granted hereunder shall lapse.

The foregoing Updated Resolution was adopted on the <u>3 rd</u> day of November, 2015, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.



PATRICK OGAWA
Acting Executive Officer of the
Board of Supervisors of the
County of Los Angeles

By Garla Little
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MARY WICKHAM Interim County Counsel

Deputy

# AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT November 3, 2015

PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010275 – Gateway Cities Advanced Transportation Management Systems Improvement Project, (in the Cities of Commerce, Downey, Huntington Park, La Mirada, Montebello, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, and South Gate, and in the unincorporated communities of Florence, South Whittier, and Walnut Park), Supervisorial Districts 1, 2, and 4.

TYPE OF WORK: Installation of performance measurement systems at 68 intersections and the performance of other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: July 21, 2015 (Agenda Item 35)

BID OPENING DATE: August 25, 2015

Low	Select Electric, Inc. 13250 Kirkham Way Poway, California 92064 (619) 460-6060	\$834,555.00
	(019) 400-0000	

2 Elecnor Belco Electric, Inc. \$881,000.00

3 Crosstown Electrical &Data, Inc.\* \$882,190.00

Local Small Business Enterprises (LSBE)\*

## **FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

Amount of estimate	\$602,820.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$834,555.00
Amount of recommended contract above estimate	\$231.735.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 38 percent above the estimate. On July 21, 2015, the Board delegated to the Director of Public Works the authority to award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The estimated construction cost was in the range of \$475,000 to \$675,000. However, the lowest bid exceeded the authorized amount by \$159,555. While the bid is significantly higher than the estimate, the bids received are very competitive, and we do not believe readvertising the project will result in lower bids. We recommend award of the project to Select Electric, Inc., in the amount of \$834,555.

The project cost will be financed with \$1,019,000 in Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the Gateway Cities Traffic Signal Forum, and \$287,000 in Proposition C Local Return funds. The Board has established a \$2,500,000 Top-of-Pot annual allocation from the County's Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget for the Countywide Traffic Congestion Management Program. The \$287,000 will be funded from this allocation. Financing for the construction of this project is included in the Proposition C Local Return Fund Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget.

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# ADOPT UPDATED RESOLUTION FOR CONTRIBUTION OF HIGHWAYS-THROUGH-CITIES FUNDING AND AWARD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT GATEWAY CITIES ADVANCED TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Jurisdiction		Project Costs		HTC Funds	
SD1 Unincorporated Areas	\$	159,000	\$	0	
SD2 Unincorporated Areas	\$	437,000	\$	0	
SD4 Unincorporated Areas	\$	260,000	\$	0	
Commerce	\$	71,000	\$	71,000	
Downey	\$	59,000	\$	59,000	
Huntington Park		114,000	\$	114,000	
La Mirada	\$	28,000	\$	28,000	
Montebello		34,000	\$	34,000	
Norwalk		38,000	\$	38,000	
Pico Rivera		10,000	\$	10,000	
Santa Fe Springs		42,000	\$	42,000	
South Gate	\$	54,000	\$	54,000	
Total	\$	1,306,000	\$	450,000	